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PLASMIDS, TRANSGENIC PLANTS
AND PLANT PARTS CONTAINING
THEM, AND METHODS FOR
OBTAINING THEM

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an Extension of Time of three months to file a Response in the above-identified patent application. This will serve to extend the time for filing the Response to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2003 from June 12, 2003, up to and including September 12, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, enclosed is the requisite extension fee of \$465.00 for maintaining the pendency of the present application. The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 18433/2002. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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